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AN ACT relating to campaign finance reports.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. KRS 121.180 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) (a) Any candidate, slate of candidates, or political issues committee shall be exempt from filing any preelection finance reports required by subsection (3) of this section if the candidate, slate of candidates, or political issues committee chairman files a form prescribed and furnished by the registry stating that contributions will not be accepted or expended in excess of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) in any one (1) election to further the candidacy or to support or oppose a constitutional amendment or public question which will appear on the ballot. For a candidate for judicial office who desires to be exempt from filing preelection campaign finance reports as provided in this paragraph, the request for exemption shall be filed by the campaign treasurer of the candidate's campaign committee, but the candidate shall be personally liable for any violation if the campaign treasurer accepts contributions or makes expenditures in excess of the limit and shall be subject to the same penalties as a candidate as provided in subparagraph (1)1. or 2. of this subsection. A separate form shall be required for each primary, regular, or special election in which the candidate or slate of candidates participates or in which the public question appears on the ballot, unless the candidate, slate of candidates, or political issues committee chairman indicates on a request for exemption that the request will be applicable to more than one (1) election. The form shall be filed with the same office with which a candidate or slate of candidates files nomination papers or, in the case of a political issues committee, with the registry.
- (b) Any candidate, slate of candidates, or political issues committee shall be exempt from filing any campaign finance reports required by subsections (3)

1 and (4) of this section if the candidate, slate of candidates, or political issues
2 committee chairman files a form prescribed and furnished by the registry
3 stating that currently no contributions have been received and that
4 contributions will not be accepted or expended in excess of one thousand
5 dollars (\$1,000) in any one (1) election. For a candidate for judicial office who
6 desires to be exempt from filing any campaign finance reports as provided in
7 this paragraph, the request for exemption shall be filed by the campaign
8 treasurer of the candidate's campaign committee, but the candidate shall be
9 personally liable for any violation if the campaign treasurer accepts
10 contributions or makes expenditures in excess of the limit and shall be subject
11 to the same penalties as a candidate as provided in subparagraph (1)1. or 2. of
12 this subsection. A separate form shall be required for each primary, regular, or
13 special election in which the candidate or slate of candidates participates or in
14 which the public question appears on the ballot, unless the candidate, slate of
15 candidates, or political issues committee chairman indicates on a request for
16 exemption that the request will be applicable to more than one (1) election.
17 The form shall be filed with the same office with which a candidate or slate of
18 candidates files nomination papers or, in the case of a political issues
19 committee, with the registry.

- 20 (c) For a primary election, a candidate or slate of candidates shall file a request
21 for exemption not later than the deadline for filing nomination papers and,
22 except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this subsection,
23 shall be bound by its terms unless it is rescinded in writing not later than
24 fifteen (15) days after the filing deadline. For a regular election, a candidate or
25 slate of candidates shall file or rescind in writing a request for exemption not
26 later than twenty-five (25) days after the date of the preceding primary
27 election, except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this

1 subsection. For a special election, a candidate or slate of candidates shall file a
2 request for exemption not later than ten (10) days after the candidate or slate
3 of candidates is nominated for a special election and shall be bound by its
4 terms unless it is rescinded in writing not later than twenty-five (25) days after
5 the date on which the nomination for a special election is made. A political
6 issues committee chairman shall file a request for exemption not later than ten
7 (10) days after the date on which the committee registers with the registry and
8 shall be bound by its terms unless it is rescinded in writing not later than
9 fifteen (15) days after the date on which the request for exemption is filed.

- 10 (d) 1. A candidate or slate of candidates that revokes a request for exemption
11 in a timely manner may exercise the remaining option or may file all
12 reports required of a candidate intending to raise or spend in excess of
13 three thousand dollars (\$3,000) in an election. If a candidate or slate of
14 candidates elects to exercise a different option, the candidate or slate of
15 candidates shall file the appropriate form with the officer who received
16 the filing papers of the candidate or slate of candidates not later than the
17 deadline for filing a revocation.
- 18 2. A candidate for any city or county office or for any school board office,
19 who is exempted from some or all campaign finance reporting
20 requirements pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection but who
21 accepts contributions or makes expenditures in excess of the exempted
22 amount in an election, shall file all applicable reports required for the
23 remainder of that election, based upon the amount of contributions or
24 expenditures the candidate accepts or receives in that election. The filing
25 of applicable required reports by a candidate after the exempted amount
26 is exceeded shall serve as notice to the registry that the initial exemption
27 has been rescinded. No further notice to the registry shall be required

1 and no penalty for exceeding the initial exempted amount shall be
2 imposed against the candidate, except for failure to file applicable
3 reports required after the exempted amount is exceeded.

4 (e) Any candidate or slate of candidates that is subject to an August filing
5 deadline and that intends to execute a request for exemption shall file the
6 appropriate request for exemption not later than the filing deadline and, except
7 as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this subsection, shall be
8 bound by its terms unless it is rescinded in writing not later than fifteen (15)
9 days after the filing deadline. A candidate or slate of candidates that is covered
10 by this paragraph shall have the same reversion rights as those provided in
11 subparagraph 1. of paragraph (d) of this subsection.

12 (f) Any candidate or slate of candidates that will appear on the ballot in a regular
13 election that has signed either request for exemption for that election may
14 exercise the reversion rights provided in subparagraph 1. of paragraph (d) of
15 this subsection if a candidate or slate of candidates that is subject to an August
16 filing deadline subsequently files in opposition to the candidate or slate of
17 candidates. Except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this
18 subsection, a candidate or slate of candidates covered by this paragraph shall
19 comply with the deadline for rescission provided in subparagraph 1. of
20 paragraph (d) of this subsection.

21 (g) Except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this subsection, any
22 candidate or slate of candidates that has filed a request for exemption for a
23 regular election that later is opposed by a person who has filed a declaration of
24 intent to receive write-in votes may rescind the request for exemption and
25 exercise the reversion rights provided in subparagraph 1. of paragraph (d) of
26 this subsection.

27 (h) Any candidate or slate of candidates that has filed a request for exemption

1 may petition the registry to determine whether another person is campaigning
2 as a write-in candidate prior to having filed a declaration of intent to receive
3 write-in votes, and, if the registry determines upon a preponderance of the
4 evidence that a person who may later be a write-in candidate is conducting a
5 campaign, the candidate or slate of candidates, except as provided in
6 subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this subsection, may petition the registry
7 to permit the candidate or slate of candidates to exercise the reversion rights
8 provided in subparagraph 1. of paragraph (d) of this subsection.

9 (i) If the opponent of a candidate or slate of candidates is replaced due to his
10 withdrawal because of death, disability, or disqualification, the candidate or
11 slate of candidates, except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of
12 this subsection, may exercise the reversion rights provided in subparagraph 1.
13 of paragraph (d) of this subsection not later than fifteen (15) days after the
14 party executive committee nominates a replacement for the withdrawn
15 candidate or slate of candidates.

16 (j) A person intending to be a write-in candidate for any office in a regular or
17 special election may execute a request for exemption under paragraph (a) or
18 (b) of this subsection and shall be bound by its terms unless it is rescinded in
19 writing not later than fifteen (15) days after the filing deadline for the regular
20 or special election. A person intending to be a write-in candidate who revokes
21 a request for exemption in a timely manner may exercise the remaining
22 exemption option or may file all reports required of a candidate intending to
23 raise or spend in excess of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) in an election.
24 Except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this subsection, a
25 person intending to be a write-in candidate who elects to exercise a different
26 exemption option shall file the appropriate form with the officer who received
27 the initial request for exemption not later than fifteen (15) days after the filing

1 deadline for the regular or special election.

2 (k) Except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this subsection, the
3 campaign committee of any candidate or slate of candidates that has filed a
4 request for exemption or a political issues committee whose chairman has
5 filed a request for exemption shall be bound by its terms unless it is rescinded
6 in a timely manner and no new request for exemption has been executed.

7 (l) 1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this
8 subsection, any candidate, slate of candidates, or political issues
9 committee that is exempt from filing campaign finance reports pursuant
10 to paragraph (a), (b), (e), or (j) of this subsection that accepts
11 contributions or makes expenditures, or whose campaign treasurer
12 accepts contributions or makes expenditures, in excess of the applicable
13 limit in any one (1) election without rescinding the request for
14 exemption in a timely manner shall comply with all applicable reporting
15 requirements and, in lieu of other penalties prescribed by law, pay a fine
16 of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) plus the amount by which
17 the spending limit was exceeded.

18 2. Except as provided in subparagraph 2. of paragraph (d) of this
19 subsection, a candidate, slate of candidates, campaign committee, or
20 political issues committee that is exempt from filing campaign finance
21 reports pursuant to paragraph (a), (b), (e), or (j) of this subsection that
22 knowingly accepts contributions or makes expenditures in excess of the
23 applicable spending limit in any one (1) election without rescinding the
24 request for exemption in a timely manner shall comply with all
25 applicable reporting requirements and shall be guilty of a Class D
26 felony.

27 (2) (a) State and county executive committees, and caucus campaign committees

1 shall make a full report, upon a prescribed form, to the registry, of all money,
2 loans, or other things of value, received from any source, and expenditures
3 authorized, incurred, or made, since the date of the last report, including:

- 4 1. For each contribution of any amount made by a permanent committee,
5 the name and business address of the permanent committee, the date of
6 the contribution, the amount contributed, and a description of the major
7 business, social, or political interest represented by the permanent
8 committee;
- 9 2. For other contributions in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100), the full
10 name, address, age if less than the legal voting age, the date of the
11 contribution, the amount of the contribution, and the employer and
12 occupation of each contributor. If the contributor is self-employed, the
13 name under which he is doing business shall be listed;
- 14 3. The total amount of cash contributions received during the reporting
15 period; and
- 16 4. A complete statement of expenditures authorized, incurred, or made.
17 The complete statement of expenditures shall include the name and
18 address of each person to whom an expenditure is made in excess of
19 twenty-five dollars (\$25), and the amount, date, and purpose of each
20 expenditure.

- 21 (b) This report shall be in the hands of the registry or postmarked within five (5)
22 days after the thirtieth day following the primary and regular elections. If an
23 individual gives a reportable contribution to a caucus campaign committee or
24 to a state or county executive committee with the intention that the
25 contribution or a portion of the contribution go to a candidate or slate of
26 candidates, the name of the contributor and the sum shall be indicated on the
27 committee report. The receipts and expenditures of funds remitted to each

1 political party under KRS 141.071 to 141.073 shall be separately accounted
 2 for and reported to the registry in the manner required by KRS 121.230. The
 3 separate report may be made a separate section within the report required, by
 4 this subsection, to be in the hands of the registry or postmarked within five (5)
 5 days after the thirtieth day following each regular election.

6 (3) (a) Except for candidates or slates of candidates, campaign committees, or
 7 political issues committees exempted from reporting requirements pursuant to
 8 subsection (1) of this section, each campaign treasurer of a candidate, slate of
 9 candidates, campaign committee, or political issues committee who accepts
 10 contributions or expends, expects to accept contributions or expend, or
 11 contracts to expend more than three thousand dollars (\$3,000) in any one (1)
 12 election, and each fundraiser who secures contributions in excess of three
 13 thousand dollars (\$3,000) in any one (1) election, shall make a full report to
 14 the registry, on a form provided or using a format approved by the registry, of
 15 all money, loans, or other things of value, received from any source, and
 16 expenditures authorized, incurred, and made, since the date of the last report,
 17 including:

- 18 1. For each contribution of any amount made by a permanent committee,
 19 the name and business address of the permanent committee, the date of
 20 the contribution, the amount contributed, and a description of the major
 21 business, social, or political interest represented by the permanent
 22 committee;
- 23 2. For each contribution in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100) made to a
 24 candidate or slate of candidates for a statewide-elected state office, or to
 25 a campaign committee for a candidate or slate of candidates for a
 26 statewide-elected state office, the date, name, address, occupation, and
 27 employer of each contributor and the spouse of the contributor or, if the

contributor or spouse of the contributor is self-employed, the name under which he is doing business, and the amount contributed by each contributor; and

3. For each contribution in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100) made to any candidate or campaign committee other than those specified in subparagraph 2. or a political issues committee, the full name, address, age if less than the legal voting age, the date of the contribution, the amount of the contribution, and the employer and occupation of each other contributor. If the contributor is self-employed, the name under which he is doing business shall be listed;

4. The total amount of cash contributions received during the reporting period; and

5. A complete statement of all expenditures authorized, incurred, or made. The complete statement of expenditures shall include the name, address, and occupation of each person to whom an expenditure is made in excess of twenty-five dollars (\$25), and the amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure.

(b) Reports of all candidates, slates of candidates, campaign committees, political issues committees, and registered fundraisers shall be made as follows:

1. Candidates as defined in KRS 121.015(8), slates of candidates, campaign committees, political issues committees, and fundraisers which register in the year before the year an election in which the candidate, a slate of candidates, or public question shall appear on the ballot, shall file financial reports with the registry at the end of the first calendar quarter after persons become candidates or slates of candidates, or following registration of the committee or fundraiser, and each calendar quarter thereafter, ending with the last calendar quarter of that

- 1 year. Candidates, slates of candidates, committees, and registered
2 fundraisers shall make all reports required by this section during the year
3 in which the election takes place;
- 4 2. All candidates, slates of candidates, campaign committees, political
5 issues committees, and registered fundraisers shall make reports on the
6 thirty-second day preceding an election, including all previous
7 contributions and expenditures;
- 8 3. All candidates, slates of candidates, campaign committees, political
9 issues committees, and registered fundraisers shall make reports on the
10 fifteenth day preceding the date of the election; and
- 11 4. All reports to the registry shall be received by the registry or postmarked
12 within five (5) days after each filing deadline.
- 13 (4) Except for candidates, slates of candidates, and political issues committees,
14 exempted pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of this section, all candidates, regardless of
15 funds received or expended, campaign committees, political issues committees, and
16 registered fundraisers shall make post-election reports within thirty (30) days after
17 the election.
- 18 (5) In making the preceding reports, the total gross receipts from each of the following
19 categories shall be listed: proceeds from the sale of tickets for events such as
20 testimonial affairs, dinners, luncheons, rallies, and similar fundraising events, mass
21 collections made at the events, and sales of items such as campaign pins, buttons,
22 hats, ties, literature, and similar materials. When any individual purchase or the
23 aggregate purchases of any item enumerated above from a candidate or slate of
24 candidates for a statewide-elected state office or a campaign committee for a
25 candidate or slate of candidates for a statewide-elected state office exceeds one
26 hundred dollars (\$100), the purchaser shall be identified by name, address, age, if
27 less than the legal voting age, occupation, and employer and the employer of the

1 spouse of the purchaser or, if the purchaser or the spouse of the purchaser is self-
 2 employed, the name under which he is doing business, and the amount of the
 3 purchase. When any individual purchase or the aggregate purchases of any item
 4 enumerated above from any candidate or campaign committee other than a
 5 candidate or slate of candidates for a statewide-elected state office or campaign
 6 committee for a candidate or slate of candidates for a statewide-elected state office
 7 exceeds one hundred dollars (\$100), the purchaser shall be identified by name,
 8 address, age if less than the legal voting age, occupation, and employer, or if the
 9 purchaser is self-employed, the name under which he is doing business, and the
 10 amount of the purchase. The lists shall be maintained by the campaign treasurer,
 11 political issues committee treasurer, registered fundraiser, or other sponsor for
 12 inspection by the registry for six (6) years following the date of the election.

13 (6) Each permanent committee, except a federally registered out-of-state permanent
 14 committee, inaugural committee, or contributing organization shall make a full
 15 report to the registry, on a form provided or using a format approved by the registry,
 16 of all money, loans, or other things of value, received by it from any source, and all
 17 expenditures authorized, incurred, or made, since the date of the last report,
 18 including:

19 (a) For each contribution of any amount made by a permanent committee, the
 20 name and business address of the permanent committee, the date of the
 21 contribution, the amount contributed, and a description of the major business,
 22 social, or political interest represented by the permanent committee;

23 (b) For other contributions in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100), the full name,
 24 address, age if under the legal voting age, the date of the contribution, the
 25 amount of the contribution, and the employer and occupation of each
 26 contributor. If the contributor is self-employed, the name under which he is
 27 doing business shall be listed;

- 1 (c) An aggregate amount of cash contributions, the amount contributed by each
2 contributor, and the date of each contribution; and
- 3 (d) A complete statement of all expenditures authorized, incurred, or made,
4 including independent expenditures. This report shall be made by a permanent
5 committee, inaugural committee, or contributing organization to the registry
6 on the last day of the first calendar quarter following the registration of the
7 committee with the registry and on the last day of each succeeding calendar
8 quarter until such time as the committee terminates. A contributing
9 organization shall file a report of contributions received and expenditures on a
10 form provided or using a format approved by the registry not later than the last
11 day of each calendar quarter in which contributions are received or
12 expenditures are made. All reports to the registry shall be postmarked or
13 received not later than five (5) days after each filing deadline.
- 14 (7) If the final statement of a candidate, campaign committee, or political issues
15 committee shows an unexpended balance of contributions, continuing debts and
16 obligations, or an expenditure deficit, the campaign treasurer shall file with the
17 registry a supplemental statement of contributions and expenditures not more than
18 thirty (30) days after the deadline for filing the final statement. Subsequent
19 supplemental statements shall be filed annually, to be received by the registry or
20 postmarked not later than ten (10) days after November 1 of each year, until the
21 account shows no unexpended balance, continuing debts and obligations,
22 expenditures, or deficit, or until the year before the candidate or a slate of
23 candidates seeks to appear on the ballot for the same office for which the funds in
24 the campaign account were originally contributed, in which case the candidate or a
25 slate of candidates shall file the supplemental annual report not later than ten (10)
26 days after November 1 of that year or at the end of the first calendar quarter of that
27 year after the candidate or slate of candidates files nomination papers for the next

1 year's primary or regular election. All contributions shall be subject to KRS
2 121.150.

3 (8) All reports filed under the provisions of this chapter shall be a matter of public
4 record open to inspection by any member of the public immediately upon receipt of
5 the report by the registry. A duplicate paper copy of each report filed either on paper
6 or electronically with the registry shall be filed by the candidate, slate of candidates,
7 or committee with the county clerk in the county in which the candidate or persons
8 running as a slate of candidates reside at the same time. County clerks shall
9 maintain these reports for public inspection for a period of one (1) year from the
10 date the last report is required to be filed.

11 (9) A candidate or slate of candidates is relieved of the duty personally to file reports
12 and keep records of receipts and expenditures if the candidate or slate states in
13 writing or on forms provided by the registry that:

14 (a) Within five (5) business days after personally receiving any contributions, the
15 candidate or slate of candidates shall surrender possession of the contributions
16 to the treasurer of their principal campaign committee without expending any
17 of the proceeds thereof. No contributions shall be commingled with the
18 candidate's or slated candidates' personal funds or accounts. Contributions
19 received by check, money order, or other written instrument shall be endorsed
20 directly to the campaign committee and shall not be cashed or redeemed by
21 the candidate;

22 (b) The candidate or slate of candidates shall not make any unreimbursed
23 expenditure for the campaign, except that this paragraph does not preclude a
24 candidate or slate from making an expenditure from personal funds to the
25 designated principal campaign committee, which shall be reported by the
26 committee as a contribution received; and

27 (c) The waiver shall continue in effect as long as the candidate or slate of

1 candidates complies with the conditions under which it was granted.

2 (10) No candidate, slate of candidates, campaign committee, political issues committee,
3 or contributing organization shall use or permit the use of contributions or funds
4 solicited or received for the person or in support of or opposition to a public issue
5 which will appear on the ballot to further the candidacy of the person for a different
6 public office, to support or oppose a different public issue, or to further the
7 candidacy of any other person for public office; except that nothing in this
8 subsection shall be deemed to prohibit a candidate or slate of candidates from using
9 funds in the campaign account to purchase admission tickets for any fundraising
10 event or testimonial affair for another candidate or slate of candidates if the amount
11 of the purchase does not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) per event or affair. Any
12 funds or contributions solicited or received by or on behalf of a candidate, slate of
13 candidates, or any committee, which has been organized in whole or in part to
14 further any candidacy for the same person or to support or oppose the same public
15 issue, shall be deemed to have been solicited or received for the current candidacy
16 or for the election on the public issue if the funds or contributions are solicited or
17 received at any time prior to the regular election for which the candidate, slate of
18 candidates, or public issue is on the ballot. Any unexpended balance of funds not
19 otherwise obligated for the payment of expenses incurred to further a political issue
20 or the candidacy of a person shall, in whole or in part, at the election of the
21 candidate or committee, escheat to the State Treasury, be returned pro rata to all
22 contributors, or, in the case of a partisan candidate, be transferred to a caucus
23 campaign committee, or to the state or county executive committee of the political
24 party of which the candidate is a member except that a candidate, committee, or an
25 official may retain the funds to further the same public issue or to seek election to
26 the same office or may donate the funds to any charitable, nonprofit, or educational
27 institution recognized under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue

1 Code of 1986, as amended, and any successor thereto.

2 (11) (a) Any publisher of newspapers or magazines, owner or lessor of billboards, or
3 any other person, company, corporation, or business organization offering its
4 communications or advertising services for hire to the public who receives
5 funds for the purchase of advertising services or material, shall file with the
6 registry a copy of the material or communication purchased which supports or
7 opposes any slate of candidates or committee; a copy of the receipt for the
8 funds paid; the name and address of each purchaser; and the source of the
9 funds for the purchase if different than the purchaser.

10 (b) A radio or television station or network that receives funds for the purchase of
11 advertising services or material that supports or opposes a slate of candidates
12 or committee shall file with the registry a copy of the documentation of paid
13 political campaign advertisements that is required to be maintained by the
14 Federal Communications Commission, along with a cover letter from the
15 manager of the station or network or the manager's designee.

16 (c) All information required to be reported by paragraphs (a) and (b) of this
17 subsection shall be in the hands of the registry or postmarked not later than the
18 thirtieth day following the primary and regular elections that are held
19 subsequent to the date that the broadcasting or printing of the advertisement
20 occurs.

21 (d) The provisions of this subsection shall apply only to purchases of advertising
22 services or material to support or oppose a slate of candidates for election to
23 the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

24 (e) Notwithstanding KRS 121.990, penalties for violation of this subsection shall
25 be assessed in accordance with the provisions of KRS 121.140(2).

26 (12) (a) For the purposes of this subsection, "election cycle," as applied to
27 contributions, expenditures, or loans to support or oppose a candidate for a

particular office, means the period of time beginning January 1 following a regular election for the office and ending December 31 following the next regular election for that office.

(b) For the purpose of this subsection, "election cycle," as applied to contributions, expenditures, or loans to support or oppose a constitutional amendment or public question which appears on the ballot, means the period of time beginning January 1 following a regular election for any state legislative office and ending December 31 following the next regular election for any state legislative office.

(c) If adequate and appropriate agency funds are available to implement this subsection, beginning on January 1, 2002, the option of electronic reporting shall be made available by the registry for all of the following:

1. Candidates for statewide office and slates of candidates that during the election cycle receive contributions or loans in the aggregate of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) or more, or at any time have a balance in a campaign account or accounts in the aggregate of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) or more;
2. Candidates for the General Assembly that during the election cycle receive contributions or loans in the aggregate of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500), or at any time have a balance in an aggregate of twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) or more; and
3. Campaign committees, political issues committees, permanent committees, registered fundraisers, contributing organizations, and individuals and entities making independent expenditures that during the election cycle receive contributions or loans in an aggregate of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) or more, make expenditures in an aggregate of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) or more, or at any

1 time have a balance in an aggregate of twenty-five thousand dollars
2 (\$25,000) or more.

3 (13) Filers specified in subsection (12) of this section shall also continue to file required
4 campaign finance reports in paper format until the registry deems it is no longer
5 necessary. The paper copy shall continue to be the official version for audit and
6 other legal purposes.

7 (14) Filers not required to file reports electronically, as set forth in this section, are
8 strongly encouraged to do so voluntarily.

9 (15) The date that an electronic or on-line report shall be deemed to have been filed with
10 the registry shall be the date on which it is received by the registry.

11 (16) All electronic or on-line filers shall affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the report
12 filed with the registry is complete and accurate.

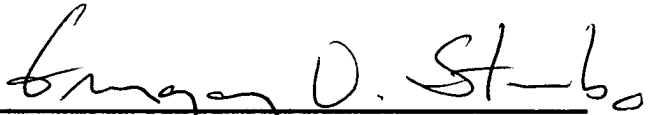
13 (17) Filers who submit computer disks which are not readable, cannot be copied, or are
14 not accompanied by any requisite paper copy shall be deemed to not be in
15 compliance with the requirements set forth in this section.

16 (18) No candidate is obligated to file any reports electronically.

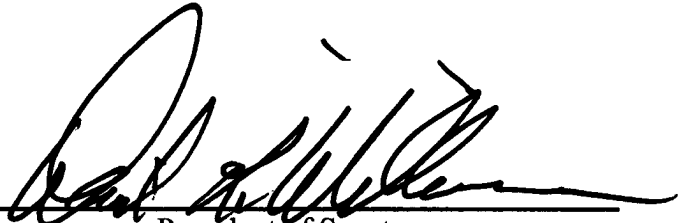
17 **(19) (a) On each paper and electronic form that it supplies for the reports required**
18 **under subsections (2), (3), and (6) of this section, the registry shall include**
19 **an entry reading, "No change since last report."**

20 **(b) If a person or entity that is required to report under subsection (2), (3), or**
21 **(6) of this section has received no money, loans, or other things of value**
22 **from any source since the date of its last report and has not authorized,**
23 **incurred, or made any expenditures since that date, the person or entity may**
24 **check or otherwise designate the entry that reads, "No change since last**
25 **report." A person or entity designating this entry in a report shall state the**
26 **balance carried forward from the last report but need not specify receipts or**
27 **expenditures in further detail.**


1 ➔Section 2. The effective date of this Act shall be delayed until November 3,
2 2010.



Speaker-House of Representatives



President of Senate

Attest: 

Chief Clerk of House of Representatives

Approved 

Governor

Date 
